

Five of county's public high schools named to Newsweek's 'America's Best High Schools' list

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State Sen. Jack Johnson, House Republican Caucus Chairman Glen Casada and Rep. Charles Sargent today congratulated five area high schools after they were named in Newsweek's annual "America's Best High Schools" list. Newsweek picks the best public high school across the nation and ranks them based on the number of Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) students in a given graduating class. This year, just over 1,600 schools were chosen, meaning that all on the list are in the top 6 percent nationally.

"I was delighted to hear that five local high schools were ranked among the best in the nation," said Senator Johnson. "A solid education is what will continue to drive this great country and state forward, and I am proud that Williamson County is turning out the best of the best."

The five schools that made Newsweek's cut are: Brentwood High School, Ravenwood High School, Franklin High School, Fairview High School, and Centennial. In total, fourteen Tennessee high schools made the list.

"It is such an honor for these Williamson County schools to be recognized for their hard work and dedication to academics," said Chairman Casada. "We have some very bright students in Williamson County, and I know they will be the leaders of the future."

Representative Sargent added, "I am very proud of the teachers and students at these schools for excelling in academics, and I commend the teachers for their hard work. They are truly equipping Williamson County students with an invaluable tool for the future: a top notch education."

For more information, please visit www.newsweek.com/feature/2010/americas-best-high-schools.html.